

WILD SCENES IN BRISTOL FOLLOW SALOON VICTORY

Men Rejoice While Women Weep as Result Is Made Known.

LIQUOR PEOPLE WIN BY NARROW MARGIN

Women and Children Sing and Pray at Polling Place, but "Wet" Force Is Too Strong, and Carries Election by Thirty-Two Votes. Bitter Fight Ends.

The Result in Bristol

Total vote cast.....	845
For "wets".....	433
For "drys".....	401
Votes thrown out.....	11
Majority for "wets".....	32

[Special to The Times-Dispatch.]
BRISTOL, Va., July 8.—The narrow majority of 32 out of a total of 845 votes polled, the anti-prohibitionists won the local option election held here to-day, following one of the most hotly contested campaigns of its kind known in the South. Of the total vote the "wets" cast 433, the "drys" 401, and eleven improperly prepared ballots were thrown out.

Prohibitionism reigns here to-night in that part of Bristol which lies in Tennessee, as well as in the half of the city which has declared for the seal of liquor after dryness of two years. Preparations are already being made for opening up saloons and wholesale houses for supplying not only the immediate vicinity, but that of the dozen nearby States, which are in the prohibitive column.

The "wets" declare the victory will have the effect of checking the State-wide prohibition movement in Virginia. They say, too, that the winning of to-day's fight is but the opening of the greater fight for the reclamation of lost territory in the South.

Thousands of Dollars Spent.
Against the influence of the prohibitionists and their unwavering allies, the women and children, the leaders of the opposing forces spent thousands of dollars. Nearly a hundred representatives of the saloon, distillery and brewery interests were here to witness the election and lend what assistance they might to corraling votes.

Many of them came here with a view to starting in business. Half of the business buildings in the city had been optioned for sale or rent at very high prices, pending to-day's result.

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JOYNER HEAD OF SOCIETY

Election Is Victory for Opponents of Regulation of Prices of Text-Books.
DENVER, CO., July 8.—The election of James Joyner, Superintendent of Public Instruction of North Carolina, as president of the National Education Association to-day is regarded by his supporters as a victory in their fight against any regulation of the prices of school text-books. Mr. Joyner was elected over Ben Blewett, head of the Louisville Text-Book Co., and Dr. J. H. Phillips, of Birmingham, Ala.

The association passed a resolution against the existence of fraternities in high schools. In the regular sessions Edwin G. Dexter, Commissioner of Education for Porto Rico, offered a resolution urging the Congress to instruct the United States to the people of Porto Rico. Immediately a member from Alabama arose and proposed to talk on a little suggestion about freedom for the Philippines. Then Miss Mary Shirley, of California, declared there were no going to be any freedom advocated here, I want the voice of this association to be raised in behalf of those who desire to be free in the United States. And that was the end of the resolution.

Edwin M. Sheppard, of Whinn, Minn., declared that the National Education Association, of California, was elected treasurer, and Lorenzo D. Harvey, the retiring president, was elected first vice-president.

San Francisco was selected as the next meeting-place of the association. Judge Lindsey, of the Denver Juvenile Court, spoke tonight on boys. He declared there were no bad boys, but instead a bad atmosphere, which the State should remove.

BURGLARS KILL WOMAN

Shooting Men, One Badly Wounded, Another Killed, Long Island Police.
NEW YORK, July 8.—Two shoeless men, one of them wounded in the arm and thigh by bullets, and the other charged with the murder of Mrs. Sophia Staber, wife of George Staber, a New York importer of paper, were taken to the Flatbush police station to-day. There occurred early to-day a battle with burglars, in which Mrs. Staber met death. The men admitted that they were implicated in the burglary, but at first denied any part in the murder. They say they are Carlo Giro, born in Trieste, Austria, and John Smith.

Mrs. Staber was shot dead at 2 o'clock in the morning, while standing in her bedroom door. The bullets of the burglars killed her two daughters, the reports of revolver shots and the excitement of the chase by mounted police, the national government to the neighborhood threw Flatbush into a ferment. Many wives pleaded with their husbands to-day not to go to work.

The fact that the burglary followed immediately upon the withdrawal of the police dogs from that vicinity.

CLOSE MAILS TO EXCHANGES

Georgia Congressmen Directed by LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL.
ATLANTA, GA., July 8.—The House to-day adopted a resolution directing Georgia Congressmen and Senators to favor measures for the closing of the mails to the New Orleans and the New York Cotton Exchanges.

Another resolution adopted calls upon the national government to the cotton producers on equal footing with cotton buyers by collecting and publishing information about the supply and demand for cotton, and to the reports now issued regarding the growth of the cotton crop.

NEW YORK, July 8.—On an informal ballot taken at the New York Cotton Exchange a majority favored the proposition to extend the certificate to licensed warehouses in the South.

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TOWN IN RAGE OVER PLAN TO PAINT BRONZE

Governor Orders Work on Monument Stopped to Save Priceless Treasure.

ONE GODDESS BLACK AS ACE OF SPADES

Custodian Richardson's Idea Was That Washington, Mason and Others Should Have Black Instead of Gorgeous Bronze Tone—Whole Color Scheme Ruined.

TAKING prompt hold of a situation which threatened to become serious at one time yesterday, Governor Swanson seized the telephone wires and issued peremptory orders to Colonel John W. Richardson, through whose instructions workmen were engaged in painting the fine bronze figures on the Washington Monument in Capitol Square. The colors selected by Colonel Richardson, who is custodian of the State's property, were the black, of the ace of spades, however, the Governor's vigorous interference stopped work before the painters had desecrated the main statues, but it did not save the goddess, who sits near the top of the monument, from being painted like a freshly painted buggy.

Whole City Aroused.
Even before Governor Swanson's attention was called to the trouble, the Capitol had been in a state of commotion. The workmen were ordered to enter a protest. During the afternoon the whole town was ringing with a clamor that was only subdued after more than 1,000 people were informed over the telephone from The Times-Dispatch office that the desecration had been stopped.

So incensed were some of the citizens that they threatened to drive the painters away by force. What caused the greatest indignation was the report early last night that the magnificent bronze figure of Mason was as black as the ace of spades, though the tense feeling was somewhat allayed when the public began to realize that the Governor had read the riot act as it was seldom read before.

Fully 5,000 people swarmed about the Capitol last night to see for themselves, and the air was full of violent expressions, followed by commendation, as it became generally known that Governor Swanson's orders had been put into effect.

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SYNDICATE NOT BROKEN

Owners of German Potash Mines Have Renewed Agreement.
BERLIN, July 8.—The German potash syndicate has renewed its agreement, Hermann Schmittman and his son, Waldemar, representing the Ascherleben and Solstadt mines, having affixed their signatures to the contract this evening. The Schmittmans are sole proprietors of the Ascherleben mine, and in conjunction with the owners of the Solstadt mine, held out for several months, time against the terms of the syndicate.

In 1907 the Schmittmans made contracts to supply various American fertilizer concerns with potash for a term of ten years. The syndicate now agrees provisionally to take over these contracts, which amount to \$600,000, but with the understanding that it will until July 24 to examine the papers before making a final decision.

SEND CRUISER SQUADRON

Famous English Admiral to Bring Four Ships to New York Celebration.
LONDON, July 8.—An American field has been informed that the fifth cruiser squadron of the British navy has been designated to attend the Hudson-Fulton celebration, to be held in New York September 25 to October 3 next. The squadron consists of four ships—the Drake, Argyle, Duke of Edinburgh and Black Prince. The commander of the squadron is Rear Admiral Frederick T. Hamilton, who will be the official representative of His Majesty's government at the American celebration.

All the ships are of the armored cruiser class, and three of them—the Black Prince, Duke of Edinburgh and Argyle—were built in the United States three years ago, so that they represent some of the late types of British naval architecture.

Rear Admiral Hamilton, who is designated as the official representative of the British navy, has a long and distinguished naval career.

FOREIGN SHIPS COMING

San Francisco Representative Cordially Received in All European Capitals.
BERLIN, July 8.—Charles C. Moore, president of the San Francisco Chamber of Commerce, is touring the capitals of Europe to arrange for the representation of foreign navies at the great review to be held off San Francisco next October to celebrate the centennial of that city, has arrived in Berlin.

Mr. Moore will be received at the German capital to-day, and he seems to be every prospect that Germany will accept the invitation to participate. Mr. Moore came here from the United States, where he was a naval minister took a warm interest in the celebration, and will recommend to Queen Wilhelmina the sending of a fleet of German ships to the Pacific coast.

SITUATION SERIOUS

Colombia on Verge of Great Revolution, Later Report Says.
PANAMA, July 8.—Mail advices received from Colombia today indicate a critical condition of affairs in that republic. As the result of the defeat of the government forces in the various political parties, which a few months ago seemed to be united, are now completely disorganized, and the revolutionists are on the verge of a great revolution. The movement on the part of the revolutionists is full of the most dangerous and desperate character, and the revolutionists are capturing the forts, the Magdalena River boats and the government houses. About 80 per cent of the population in Colombia pass through Barranquilla, so that the revolutionists will not lack for funds.

SPAIN STILL HOPEFUL

Does Not Regard Cuba's Refusal to Recognize Spanish Claim as Final.
MADRID, July 8.—The Spanish government expects to continue negotiations. The note intimates that the terms of the proposed armistice between the two countries will have some influence on Cuba's attitude, and also that in the event Cuba finally refuses to recognize a Spanish claim the claim will be referred to arbitrators.

SLAPPED MINISTER'S FACE

Frenchman Took Blow Calmly and Refused to Strike Back.
PARIS, July 8.—As he was leaving the Senate to-day, M. Caillaux, the Minister of Finance, was struck in the face by a blow from the hand of a man who claims that the minister slandered him in the chamber by charging him with lobbying against the bill to regulate the advertising of Messageries Maritime Company. According to the ex-deputy, M. Caillaux raised his cane, but did not strike back, saying as he went off: "A blow by you does not count."

SHAH IS IN DANGER

LONDON, July 8.—The Shah's approach to a crisis in Persian affairs has had little effect in removing the complexity of the situation. That the Shah is in danger is a fact which is now being emphasized by the latest Tehran dispatch, which states that a few days ago he made preparations to seek refuge in a foreign legation, in the event of his troops moving on to stem the nationalist advance.

ANNUAL WATERWAYS MEETING IN NORFOLK

WASHINGTON, D. C., July 8.—Representative J. Hampton Moore, of Pennsylvania, presiding, the annual meeting of the Deep Waterways Association, to-day announced that the second annual convention of the association will be held in Norfolk, Va., October 19, 20, 21 and 22. Members of Congress who are vitally interested in the proposed inland waterway now being surveyed from Boston to New Orleans are prominent part in the convention.

NEW CALIFORNIA TRIAL

SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., July 8.—The second trial of Patrick Calhoun, president of the United Railways, on the charge of having offered a bribe to the San Francisco Police Department to permit the railway to take over the city's streetcar system, was set for July 13 before Judge William P. Lawrence. The case was set for trial for a change of venue.

A Double Tragedy

EATON, O., July 8.—Henry Rife, a 19-year-old boy, and instantly killed the public librarian, Mrs. Lida Griswold, thirty-eight years old, in the public library to-day. Rife then attempted to shoot the librarian's son, but was prevented by the twelve-year-old son of Mrs. Griswold.

Earth Shock Registered

GRENOBLE, FRANCE, July 8.—The earthquake last night registered a 4.5 on the earth shock in a direction northwest and southeast.

Extradition Treaty Adopted

PARIS, July 8.—The Senate to-day adopted the Franco-American extradition convention.

FARMERS ADOPT NEW GOSPEL OF BETTER ROADS

Times-Dispatch-Post Party Create New Wave of Enthusiasm Along Route.

START OUT AGAIN FOR WASHINGTON

Open-Air Meetings at Jarratt's, Stony Creek and Petersburg Draw Large Crowds, Citizens Being Anxious for Permanent Highways. Work Being Done.

Through the courtesy of the Gordon Motor Car Company, The Times-Dispatch-Post good roads pilgrims will leave the Jefferson Hotel at 10 o'clock this morning for Washington. The party will consist of about 200 persons, including the two Stevens-Duryen cars, E. J. Ray will drive The Times-Dispatch car, while William F. Gordon will be at the wheel for the Washington Post. The party will spend to-night at Orange and will reach the national capital to-morrow afternoon.

"TOO MANY GRAY HEADS"

Move to Take Epworth League from Hands of Dignitaries.
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Citizens Enthusiasm.
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TAFT HURRIES BACK

Leaves "Feast of Peace" to Take Hand in Tariff Fight.
BURLINGTON, Vt., July 8.—President Taft's participation in the Champlain (tercentenary) celebration ended to-day, and he left here late to-night en route for Washington, where tonight and tomorrow he will plunge again into the intricacies of the tariff at a meeting with House and Senate leaders concerning the conference convened in the measure.

The celebration to-day was in many ways a repetition of the programs followed in New York. The President seemed to be deeply impressed with the sincerity of the expressions of good-will which were uttered by the accredited representatives of France, Great Britain and Canada, and declared that the amity which exists between those great nations and the United States can never be disturbed.

Feast of Peace

The entire celebration, conducted in the shadow of ruined old forts, which were surrounded once by hordes of fighting men, and on fields where the soldiers of France, America and Great Britain have known the clash of swords, has been a veritable feast of peace.

French ambassador, M. Jusserand; the British ambassador, Mr. Bryce; Governor Hughes, of New York; Governor Frooty, of Vermont; and Postmaster-General Lamont, of Canada, were the speakers of the day, in addition to President Taft. The greatest crowd gathered on the celebration period met the President here.

Indian Pageant

During the afternoon, Mr. Taft witnessed one of the Indian pageants of Hiawatha, given on floats near the Yacht Club wharf. To-night, with the aid of the splendid light-guest at a banquet, where he delivered his second address of the day—a brief parting word of congratulation and thanks for the splendid manner in which the celebration of Champlain's discovery has been carried out.

President Taft and his party arrived at 11 A. M. They were met by Governor Prouty and his staff. At City Hall, Park the President reviewed a band of the Vermont National Guard, which the First Regiment of the Vermont National Guard escorted the President.

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